

**MARKED-UP COPY OF AMENDED CLAIMS 4-13**

[4.] 3. The method according to claim 1 wherein the granular aggregate is sand.

[5.] 4. The method according to claim 2 wherein the soil amendments include  
compost.

[6.] 5. The method according to claim 2 wherein the soil amendments include  
fertilizer.

[7.] 6. The method according to claim 2 wherein the soil amendments include  
compost and fertilizer.

[8.] 7. The method according to claim 1 wherein a mycorrhizal fungus is applied  
before the application of the granular aggregate.

[9.] 8. A vehicle for transporting and distributing granular material, said vehicle  
comprising:

a truck chassis having a hopper body thereon;

a conveyer running the length of the bottom inside surface of the hopper in  
contact with the granular material said conveyer, extending beyond the rear end of the truck  
chassis for discharging said granular material, the discharge point being elevated approximately  
four feet from the ground;

means for controlling the speed of said conveyer; and

means for regulating the rate of discharge of said granular material from  
said hopper to said conveyer.

[10.] 9. The vehicle according to claim 9 wherein said conveyer is driven by a  
hydraulic motor and the means for controlling the speed of said conveyer is by varying the speed

of said hydraulic motor.

[11.] 10. The vehicle according to claim 10 wherein the means for regulating the rate of discharge of said granular material from said hopper to said conveyer includes a vertically slideable gate in an opening at the rear end of said hopper, said gate being slideable to regulate the size of said opening; and

a hydraulic cylinder for sliding said gate.

[12.] 11. A drag mat for evenly distributing and smoothing a granular material applied over a specified area of soil, said mat comprising:

a rigid frame forming a closed rectangular shape, said frame having a leading edge and a trailing edge;

a flexible lattice screen attached to said frame to form a bottom surface of said mat;

a hardened metallic bar attached to the lower edge of said leading edge of said mat; and

means for attaching the leading edge of said mat to a vehicle for dragging the mat over a surface.

[The drag mat according to claim 12 wherein said rigid frame is formed using angle iron having arms of approximately 1" x 1".]

[13.] 12. The drag mat according to claim [12] 11 wherein said hardened metallic bar attached to the leading edge of said frame is approximately 3/8" square.